MINUTES OF THE APRIL 15, 1981, BOARD MEETING OF DADE HERITAGE TRUST

The April meeting of the DHT Board of Trustees was held at Dr. Jackson's starting at 7:30 p.m. Present were President Sallye Jude, Ludivico Blanc, Gordon Pimm, Wayne Williams, Gary Greenan, Jackee Major, and Sharon Clark.

The minutes of the March 4 meeting were approved as submitted.

Gordon reported that requisition number 9 has gone to the City of Miami for reimbursement of bills submitted. He says there is $16,187 balance left in that grant. We also paid $1,000 to Liz Plater-Zybeck for plumbing work, but since that is only 50% of what the total bill will be, we won't submit that claim until all the work is completed. We have made two draws against grant for Wagner and still have $25,152 for work on that project. Gordon said DHT need an employer I.D. number Chris said she found a certificate in the files, but Gordon said we will apply for another number so DHT can apply for an exemption from FICA. Tax exempt organizations do not have to pay 1/2 of that deduction. Also, since Ludivico made a sales tax report two years ago, another has not been made. Gordon was going to submit one for $176 taxes collected at the antique show. Gordon suggested that Chris also keep the check book which the board approved. The board also approved a $50 petty cash fund to be used for minor expenses.

Chris said the outside work at Dr. Jackson's was completed. Tiles have been ordered for the bathroom and should arrive by the end of the month when the floor would be completed. She also said that Liz wants to move ahead with the library and then do the kitchen, opposite of what had been planned earlier. Sallye said DHT was also exploring the possibility to see whether they could rent some of the unused space at Dr. Jackson's on a temporary basis. It would provide some extra income and also increase traffic in the building. Sallye was checking to see if the City would agree to this. If this does come to pass, Sallye will poll board members for their thoughts on it.

Sallye said she will call Sonitrol to see if they will connect the burglar alarm system which had been disconnected because of cost. Only the fire alarm has been connected.

Chris said she planned to walk the building plans for Wagner Homestead. She had tried once before, but since no one else has used the ordinance DHT is operating under for this project, no one seemed to know how to handle the permits for it. The fire marshall has requested we install fire sprinklers which DHT has agreed to do. Chris said the set of plans had been given to three carpenters for bids. There is a sense of urgency to complete the work, because the funds will be lost if not used by June 1. It was suggested we prepay bills for the building materials and put the funds to pay the carpenters in escrow.

Chris shared copies of the proposed corporate brochure designed by Phil Hammersmith. Sallye suggested we move as quickly as possible to develop it and that it should be off the press in May. It was suggested that the map on the back was not appropriate, there was too much copy on the inside and that it was not arranged properly. Chris is also working on a brochure for the private sector.

Chris also noted that DHT needed apply for a certificate identifying DHT as a charitable organization so it could participate in the charity days held by the tracks and Jai Alai.

Chris said the museum program committee chaired by Ann Stewart has started its correspondence course. They are on lesson 2 of 11 lessons on museum interpretation in the schools. Sallye suggested looking for a person to replace Laura Stearns who will be leaving Miami.

On April 22, the State will hold meetings to determine which charitable organizations will profit from the charity days held by the parimutuals in Dade and Broward counties. Sallye said it was important to encourage Fla. tracks to hold charity days for the development of State's Historic Preservation Fund which will be hurt if federal funds are cut off.

Sallye said it was important for telephone committee to help notify members of four events: 1. The play, Oh, Henry, which will be held April 23 at Miami Springs, 2. The City of Miami hearing on its historic zones ordinance which will also be held on the 23rd, 3, the DHT annual meeting on Apr. 25, and 4. the day at the races on May 2.

Although Ivan, chair of the nominations committee, could not attend the meeting, Sallye read the names of several nominees for the board. The board then ranked five to be asked to join the board with the others to be asked as backup.

Sallye encouraged more DHT members to attend the Florida Trust meeting which will be held in Palm Beach/Boca Raton, May 7-9.

May 10-16 is National Preservation Week. It was agreed to have appropriate proclamations drawn up by the county and the city. IL it was also agreed to present Metro Commissioner Ruth Shack with a proclamation for her work in helping pass the country preservation ordinance. Sallye said she would make a banner for Dr. Jackson's. DHT will also participate in giving tours during preservation week and take the programs developed by the National Trust into local neighborhoods to encourage their preservation efforts.

Sallye said there were five people from DHT who answered phones for Channel 2 during its recent fund-raising auction.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:50p.m.

Sharon Clark
Secretary
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